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To Whom It May Concern:

It is my pleasure to write a letter of recommendation on behalf of Young Achievers Learning Center, Inc. Since October 2000, Young Achievers has provided exceptional Out of School Time services, to include Summer Camp at Lowell Elementary. The organization and structure Young Achievers provides to our youth, is a complimentary extension of Lowell's Academic enrichment component.

For the past 19 years at Lowell, Young Achievers provides a wide range of interesting and age-appropriate programming choices to youth. Having Young Achievers providing services to our community is a tremendous advantage. Young Achievers provides a safe and enriching environment for the youth in their program while families transition from work to school.

I recognize the administration team lead by Mrs. Gloria Navas, CEO, Mrs. Ivy Johnson, Executive Director and Mr. Ney Cuervo, Director of Operations for the exemplary and trustworthy leadership they offer to our school, families and youth. Young Achievers has proven that quality afterschool programs provide positive youth development and meet a critical need for keeping youth safe and families productively employed.

Young Achievers has made building security a priority. Staff are visible and available during out of school time hours. Young Achievers has worked successfully in the space provided and is flexible to accommodate changes when necessary. Staff secure all doors are closed and locked and only allow entrance to the building to recognized Young Achievers families. For security purposes a door monitor staffed by Young Achievers is stationed at the door designated only for Young Achievers entrance and exit. Young Achievers continues to meet Lowell's building security and safety expectations.

It is a privilege to highly recommend Young Achievers to any other community educational setting that is in need of a quality before and after school program. Lowell Elementary is grateful to host Young Achievers as one of their work sites.

Sincerely,

David Lugo

Mr. David Lugo
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